UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ISAAC PETTIGREW,

Plaintiff,

-V-

CIVIL ACTION NO. 25 Civ. 1539 (JPC) (SLC)

LVNV FUNDING LLC, et al.,

Defendants.

ORDER OF SERVICE

SARAH L. CAVE, United States Magistrate Judge.

Plaintiff Isaac Pettigrew ("Mr. Pettigrew"), who is appearing <u>pro se</u>, brings this action under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1681; the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1692; and New York General Business Law § 349, alleging that Defendants LVNV Funding LLC ("LVNV") and Resurgent Capital Services LP ("Resurgent") reported inaccurate information to credit agencies and thereafter (1) failed to conduct reasonable investigations of Mr. Pettigrew's disputes or (2) update, block, or delete the disputed entries on Mr. Pettigrew's credit reports. (<u>See generally ECF No. 1</u>). On March 3, 2025, the Court granted Mr. Pettigrew's request to proceed <u>in forma pauperis</u> ("IFP"), that is, without prepayment of fees.

Because Mr. Pettigrew has been granted permission to proceed IFP, he is entitled to rely on the Court and the United States Marshals Service (the "U.S. Marshals") to effect service. Walker v. Schult, 717 F.3d 119, 123 n.6 (2d Cir. 2013); see also 28 U.S.C. § 1915(d) ("[t]he officers of the court shall issue and serve all process . . . in [IFP] cases"); Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(c)(3) (instructing

after the date the summons is issued.

¹ Although Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure generally requires that a summons be served within 90 days of the date the complaint is filed, here, the Court extends the time to serve until 90 days

that the court "must" order the U.S. Marshals to effect service "if the plaintiff is authorized to

proceed [IFP]").

To allow Mr. Pettigrew to effect service on LVNV and Resurgent through the U.S. Marshals,

the Clerk of Court is instructed to fill out a U.S. Marshals Service Process Receipt and Return Form

("USM-285 Form") for those Defendants. The Clerk of Court is further instructed to issue

summonses and deliver to the U.S. Marshals all the paperwork necessary for the U.S. Marshals

to effect service upon LVNV and Resurgent

If the Complaint is not served within 90 days after the date the summonses are issued,

Mr. Pettigrew should request an extension of time for service. See Meilleur v. Strong, 682 F.3d

56, 63 (2d Cir. 2012) (holding that it is plaintiff's responsibility to request an extension of time for

service). Moreover, Mr. Pettigrew must notify the Court in writing if his address changes, and the

Court may dismiss the action if he fails to do so.

The Clerk of Court is instructed to (i) complete the USM-285 Form with the addresses for

LVNV and Resurgent below and deliver to the U.S. Marshals all documents necessary to effect

service, and (ii) mail an information package and a copy of this Order to Mr. Pettigrew. Mr.

Pettigrew may receive Court documents by email by completing the attached form, Consent to

Electronic Service.²

Dated:

New York, New York

SO ORDERED.

March 10, 2025

² If Mr. Pettigrew consents to receive documents by email, he will no longer receive Court documents by regular mail.

2

SARAH L. CAYE

United States Magistrate Judge

DEFENDANTS AND SERVICE ADDRESSES

LVNV Funding LLC 355 S Main St., Suite 300-D Greenville, SC 29601-2923

Resurgent Capital Services 55 Beattie Place, Suite 110 Greenville, SC 29601-5115